

Message Text

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 01 HONG K 03097 100854Z
ACTION AGRE-00

INFO OCT-01 EA-12 ISO-00 EB-08 AID-05 SP-02 CIAE-00
INR-10 NSAE-00 TRSE-00 SS-15 NSC-05 PA-02 USIA-15
/075 W

-----051528 110239Z /62

R 100803Z MAR 78
FM AMCONSUL HONG KONG
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 9377
USLO PEKING

UNCLAS HONG KONG 3097

FOLLOWING MSG IS REPEATED FOR YOUR INFO.

TOFAS 56

FOR: NOVOTNY, G&F, FCA
FROM: AG OFFICER

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: EAGR
SUBJECT: HONG KONG WEN HUI PAO'S ESTIMATE FOR 1977 GRAIN

THE MARCH 9 EDITION OF A LOCAL COMMUNIST NEWSPAPER -- WEN HUI PAO REPORTED THAT CHINA'S GRAIN PRODUCTION IN 1977 WAS "ESTIMATED" TO BE 250.0 MILLION METRIC TONS. OUTPUT FOR 1973 THROUGH 1975 WAS GIVEN AS 246.0 M.M.T., 274.9 M.M.T. AND 280.0 M.M.T. RESPECTIVELY. THESE DATA ARE CONSISTANT WITH PREVIOUS OFFICIAL CLAIMS. INTERESTINGLY, THE ARTICLE DID NOT REPORT A FIGURE FOR 1976. THERE WAS ONE INCONSISTENCY IN THE ARTICLE, NAMELY, 1949 OUTPUT WAS GIVEN AS 108.1 M.M.T. WHICH DOES NOT INCLUDE SOYBEANS WHEREAS THE DATA FOR 1973-75 AND PRESUMABLY 1977 INCLUDES SOYBEANS. THE 1977 OUTTURN IS ESTIMATED AND MAY BE SUBSEQUENTLY REVISED. HOWEVER, THE FACT THAT A COMMUNIST CONTROLLED PAPER IS REPORTING A SHARP DECLINE IN 1977 GRAIN OUTPUT IS A CLEAR INDICATION THAT OUTPUT WAS INDEED DOWNWN, AND POSSIBLY THE DECLINE WAS FAR GREATER THAN WE ESTIMATED

UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 02 HONG K 03097 100854Z

IN REPORT HK-8007.
ERISMAN

UNCLASSIFIED

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 jan 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: PRODUCTION DATA, GRAINS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 10 mar 1978
Decaption Date: 01 jan 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: n/a
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment:
Disposition Date: 01 jan 1960
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1978HONGK03097
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Expiration:
Film Number: D780109-0086
Format: TEL
From: HONG KONG
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1978/newtext/t19780384/aaaacspv.tel
Line Count: 57
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: 79aeacc9-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ACTION AGRE
Original Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: n/a
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 29 mar 2005
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: N/A
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 3376352
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: HONG KONG WEN HUI PAO'S ESTIMATE FOR 1977 GRAIN THE MARCH 9 EDITION OF A LOCAL COMMUNIST NEWSPAPER -- WEN HUI PAO REPORTED THAT CHINA'S GRAIN PRODUCTION IN 1977 WAS
TAGS: EAGR, TH
To: STATE PEKING
Type: TE
vdkgvkey: odbc://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/79aeacc9-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Sheryl P. Walter
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
20 Mar 2014
Markings: Sheryl P. Walter Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 20 Mar 2014